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MAYOR BALLARD RELEASES RESULTS OF *WHAT'S POSSIBLE?* INITIATIVE

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Greg Ballard today released the results of the *What's Possible?* series of community conversations and outreach activities asking Indianapolis residents their priorities for creating outstanding schools for students. The survey, conducted at the request of Indianapolis Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Eugene White, summarizes the findings of one of the largest and most diverse outreach efforts in Indianapolis education history.

“This report is extensive in detailing the community’s initial stated priorities for schools,” said Mayor Ballard. “It is one part of a multi-faceted approach, with many plans being presented. We want to be able to use it moving forward as we continue the discussion and work together on improving education in our community.”

Planned by IPS, the City of Indianapolis, and seven other community partners – the Greater Indianapolis NAACP, Indianapolis Urban League, La Plaza, The Mind Trust, Stand for Children Leadership Center, UNCF and United Way of Central Indiana – the initiative sought to reach as many stakeholders as possible to discover their ideas for the future. *What's Possible?* reached out to more than 40,000 stakeholders mostly in IPS through small group conversations, phone, mail and door-to-door and website, and received more than 7,000 questionnaire responses.

“We appreciate Mayor Ballard supporting this effort and we thank those who attended one of the meetings, completed one of the surveys and shared their ideas,” said Dr. White. “This report affirms much of what we are already doing, provides excellent ideas on which we can learn from, and provides a successful model for other school districts to follow to engage their stakeholders.”

Click [here](#) to read the Executive Summary.

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For more information about the What's Possible Initiative, visit <http://whatspossibleindy.com/>

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